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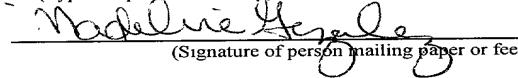
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Inventor/Application Identifier: **Kiyohiko TAKAGI et al.**

For: **DRY ETCHING METHOD**

Enclosed are:

[] 2 sheets of drawings ([] formal [] informal size A4).

[] 14 pages of specification, including claims and abstract.

[] 16 total pages

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[] Copy from prior application

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[] Inventor Information Sheet

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- Japan Appln. No. 2000-190716, filed June 26, 2000**
- [] This is a [] Continuation [] Divisional [] Continuation-in-Part of prior application Serial No. _____.
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